

**RUSHVILLE CITY UNSAFE HEARING BOARD  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2005  
5:00 P.M.**

The Unsafe Hearing Board met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bridges called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m., with Gary Cameron, Chris Fields, and Mike Pavey answering roll call. Also present was Scott Murray, WKWH.

**MINUTES \* \* \***

Minutes of the July 5, 2005 meeting were presented for approval. Pavey made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Fields seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**MAYOR'S REPORT \* \* \***

Bridges informed the Board that Jack Harmon is test driving a jeep and invited them to take a look at it after the meeting.

**CITIZEN CONCERNS \* \* \***

None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS \* \* \***

**Wilkinson Bldg** – Harmon said they are checking the building on a daily basis and the deterioration is progressing. He said they would like to have a special meeting on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. Pavey said we need to be consistent with these properties. We have given them ample time and they are not doing anything. Pavey indicated he thought they too should be fined. Cameron made a motion to assess a fine of \$500.00 per day until a plan is presented by Wilkinson. Fields seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**603 W Water Street** – The gas has been completely disconnected and the debris will be hauled away next week.

**211 W 3<sup>rd</sup> Street & Dover Street Properties** – Both properties have been closed at this time.

**904 N Benjamin Street** – An order was sent, but there has been no progress. There is a huge pile of debris that contains rodents. The owner, James R. Alexander, was present. Alexander had given permission to a tree trimming service to dump debris from their business on the property. Alexander stated

that the rats came from the neighbor's building, and he does not have rats. There was lengthy discussion as to the problem at the residence. Cameron asked Alexander if he could have the debris cleaned up in 7-10 days. Alexander said he could not. He then asked him if he could clean it up in a year. Alexander indicated that he did not intend to clean up the pile of debris. Alexander said there was also a mosquito problem from the debris. Therefore, Pavey made a motion to have the City clean up the pile of debris and assess a lien on the property. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**SR 3 & US 52** – Harmon indicated that the owners are working diligently with the City.

**NEW BUSINESS \* \* \***

**923 W 3<sup>rd</sup> Street** – Attempts have been made to contact the owner to no avail. An order has been sent.

**601 W 5<sup>th</sup> Street** – Order has been sent.

**332 W 5<sup>th</sup> Street** – Order has been sent.

**Street & Alley Temporary Closings** – Bridges said he had talked to Jack Harmon and Tony Fudge and thought it would be a good idea to approach Council to have all temporary street and alley closings to go through the Code Enforcement Authority. There would be no charge, but Harmon would track any closings.

There was no further business to come before the Board, Pavey made a motion to adjourn. Cameron seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

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ROBERT M. BRIDGES, MAYOR

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GARY M. CAMERON, MEMBER

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CHRISTOPHER S. FIELDS, MEMBER

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MICHAEL P. PAVEY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER